

Prior law provided for definitions related to data processing procurement, including that "related services" are limited to service activities affecting the maintenance of data processing equipment or software and the providing of fiscal intermediary services in processing claims of health care providers.

New law retains prior law and adds that "related services" also mean those consulting services ancillary to the procurement of data processing hardware or software that would otherwise be governed by the provisions of professional, personal, consulting, and social services procurement in Chapter 16 of Title 39 of the La. Revised Statutes of 1950, provided those consulting services are limited to the lesser of 20% of the procurement amount or \$250,000.

Prior law provided that in data processing procurement, no contract entered into was to be on preprinted contract forms supplied by a vendor.

New law adds that such contracts may be entered into on preprinted forms if approved by the director of state purchasing.

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(Amends R.S. 39:197(1) and 200(F))